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TAGS: [illegible]
SUBJECT: KIDNAPPING OF ARGENTINE IN BRAZIL

1. [illegible] CARLOS PIERI DE VIDA WAS KIDNAPPED [illegible] 30 ORANGE DO SUL (RS) POLICEMEN [illegible] ARGENTINE POLICE OFFICER AND TAKEN ACCROSS [illegible]

2. [illegible] BRAZILIAN POLICEMEN HAVE BEEN INDICTED [illegible] OF IMMUNITY ENDORSE.

3. [illegible] WAS WIDELY REPORTED IN THE LOCAL PRESS AND [illegible] HAS BEEN RECEIVED WHEN THE FEDERAL [illegible] CRICTINA ON [illegible] AND REPORTED [illegible] THAT [illegible] TO ARGENTINA [illegible] CRICTINA'S COLLEAGUE, A [illegible] CITIZEN.
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WAS ALLOWED TO LEAVE BRAZIL FOR SPAIN ON DECEMBER 1.

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3. THE GOVERNOR OF RS (RIO GRANDE DO SUL) HAS ASKED FOR A FULL INVESTIGATION.

4. CRISTINA GLORIA PIGNI DE VINA, AN ARGENTINE CITIZEN, REPORTEDLY MARRIED TO AN ARGENTINE POLICE OFFICER WAS ARRESTED ON NOVEMBER 17 BY TWO BRAZILIAN RIO GRANDE DO SUL STATE CIVIL POLICE OFFICERS AND AN ARGENTINE POLICE OFFICER AT THE PORTO LUCENA HOTEL WHERE SHE HAD BEEN STAYING SINCE OCTOBER IN THE BORDER TOWN OF PANAMBAMBA (200 KILOMETERS WEST OF PORTO ALEGRE). (ARRESTED FROM BOARD OF LOS LIBRES, ARGENTINA). THE [illegible] WAS DETAINED BY THE CLERK OF THE HOTEL AND WAS [illegible] AS A VETERINARIAN AND CLAIMED TO HAVE RECEIVED FUNDS FROM THE ARGENTINE POLICE OFFICER WAS IN UNIFORM.

5. [illegible] REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER OF THE [illegible] THE ARREST/ [illegible] OFFICE IN [illegible] NOVEMBER 28 [illegible] IN [illegible] PUERTO. [illegible] FOR [illegible] ON A [illegible] FOR [illegible] AND [illegible] POLICE [illegible] BEEN [illegible] 8 [illegible] WHEN TO [illegible] STATING [illegible] IT IS NOT ITS FUNCTION TO INVESTIGATE THE [illegible]

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[illegible] OF THE RS CIVIL POLICE. IT HAS SENT COPIES OF ITS [illegible] TO THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION.

[illegible] MARIA MARGARITA VIANA DE PEREZ, THE DAUGHTER OF [illegible] SHE [illegible] ON [illegible] AT THE FEDERAL [illegible] AND IS DUE TO DEPART ON NOVEMBER 30. [illegible] IN THE BRAZILIAN CONSULATE IN PORTO [illegible] HAS BEEN TAKEN TO LEAVE BRAZIL AND [illegible] ON DECEMBER 1 FOR MADRID. MARGARITA IS MARRIED

TO AN ARGENTINE POLICE OFFICER AND HAS TWO SMALL CHILDREN WHO CURRENTLY RESIDE WITH THEIR PATERNAL GRANDPARENTS. MARGARITA STATED THAT SHE WAS NOT INVOLVED IN CRISTINA'S AFFAIRS AND THAT SHE DESIRED TO REMAIN IN SPAIN, WHERE SHE INTENDS TO RAISE HER CHILDREN.

7. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, THE TWO DS POLICE OFFICERS IMPLICATED IN THE AFFAIR ALLEGED THAT THEY HAD OPERATED JOINTLY WITH AN UNNAMED ARGENTINE POLICE OFFICER, BUT CLAIMED THAT CRISTINA HAD BEEN DEAD AFTER SHE WAS TAKE

[redacted] THAT THEY MADE
[redacted] FACT
[redacted] DS OFFICERS
[redacted] THAT THE
[redacted]
[redacted] IN THE PRESS.

8. [redacted] OF THE FEDERAL POLICE
[redacted] FEDERAL POLICE
[redacted] HAD BEEN SUSPENDED
[redacted] OF THE POLICE FORCE WHICH DEALS
[redacted].

9. [redacted] AMBASSADOR ROMERO MET WITH STATE SECRETARY
[redacted] AND REQUESTED THAT THE REPORT OF INVESTIGATION
[redacted]

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BE SENT IMMEDIATELY TO THE APPROPRIATE COURT.

10. COMMENTS: ACCORDING TO SOME REPORTS THE HUSBAND OF [redacted] IS ALSO AN ARGENTINE POLICE OFFICER. IF TRUE, THIS WOULD INVALIDATE HER STATEMENT TO THE PRESS THAT SHE HAD NO INVOLVEMENT IN CRISTINA'S AFFAIRS.
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